REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the careful examination of this application. As suggested by the Examiner, we are filing a Terminal Disclaimer of U.S. Patent No. 6,752,681 B1 to overcome the double-patenting rejection.

The Applicant believes that with the filing of the Terminal Disclaimer, the application is now in condition for allowance, and early notification of the same would be much appreciated.

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